

# NORTH PORTLAND IN MOTION

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP MEETING #6

**When:** November 15, 2022, 6 – 8 pm

**Where:** University of Portland, Chiles Center Hall of Fame Room

### Attendees:

Ally Holmqvist (Bicycle Advisory Committee)  
Aaron Brown (Oregon Walks, St Johns)  
Paul Buchanan (Portsmouth Neighborhood Association)  
Nic Cota (Bike Loud, Overlook)  
Kali Glenn-Haley (Resident, University Park)  
Pat Jewett (Resident/NP Greenway, St Johns)  
Liz Smith (St John's Boosters)  
Carol Tricoche, (St Johns Boosters)  
Libby Winter (WTS, Arbor Lodge)

### Absent:

Jonna Lynn Bransford (Resident, University Park)  
Jennie Cambier (University of Portland)  
Stephanie Blair (St Johns Center for Opportunity)  
Jennifer Vitello (Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association)  
Lauren Smith Plinski (PCC)  
Rebecca Small (Friends of Columbia Park, Kenton)  
Jesse Neilson (Resident, Kenton)  
Ryan Northam (Resident, Arbor Lodge)  
Ethan Stuckmayer (Resident, St Johns)  
Brett Duesing (Resident, St Johns)

### Staff and Consultant Team:

Mike Serritella, Zef Wagner, Corrine McQueen (PBOT); Jessica Pickul (JLA Public Involvement)

**Meeting Purpose:** PBOT provides update on project prioritization based on staff analysis and community feedback to date and CAG weighs in on proposed prioritization. PBOT confirms with CAG Tier 1 and Tier 2 project prioritization.

## MEETING SUMMARY

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Jessica Pickul (JLA) opened the meeting and the group introduced themselves. Mike Serritella and Corrine McQueen (PBOT) reviewed the agenda and shared project updates and themes from summer and fall outreach, including the second North Portland in Motion Online Open House.

### Project updates included:

- July Wayfinding Workshop with Spanish speaking residents in New Columbia with Community Cycling Center
- Three NoPIM Pedalpalooza rides took place this summer
- Three Project Ideas Pop Ups were hosted in New Columbia, Kenton and St Johns

- September New Columbia Youth and Family Ride with Community Cycling Center
- Online Open House #2 available from late August to October

## OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS + WAYS TO PRIORITIZE

Mike introduced the topic of prioritization and the desire to learn CAG priorities for projects to build **now**, **next**, and **later**. A number of projects are already funded, including 26 crossing upgrades and strategic traffic calming that will be implemented right away. Larger funded projects include N Willamette Blvd Corridor Improvements and N Lombard St Critical Connection.

Mike presented project changes, including N Ainsworth St Greenway (now includes CC.4 Ainsworth Critical Connection project) and N Woolsey Ave (now includes New Columbia wayfinding). Through community engagement, a new project emerged: Portsmouth & University Park Neighborhood Greenway Network. Under the Corridor Improvements project type, the project team is considering a phased approach for N Willis Blvd and N Chautauqua Blvd).

Mike briefly shared about how PBOT prioritizes and uses a variety of funding sources to implement projects. Mike highlighted the equity measures and additional measures, including access, safety, community support, and deficiencies and gaps in the network, which are the criteria considered when prioritizing projects.

## GROUP DISCUSSION: PROJECT PRIORITIZATION

Mike presented staff recommended Tier 1, Tier 2 and potential Tier 1 projects for CAG discussion under two project types: **Corridor Improvements & Critical Connections** and **Neighborhood Greenways**. PBOT sought feedback on all the projects, but especially the Potential Tier 1 projects, which less clearly fit in one tier or the other. Feedback on projects to move to Tier 1 or Tier 2 included:

### NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAYS (NG)

- Kenton NG: move to Tier 1 due to connectivity, legibility/clarity of bike routes, access to park and main street
- Woosley NG: CAG supported the idea of Woolsey project changing to include corridor improvements and New Columbia Wayfinding
- Lower St Johns: Burr/Buchanan more important with connection to Lombard and Roosevelt High School, Jersey NG is a lower priority.
- Portsmouth and University Park Neighborhood Greenway Loop: Prioritize as Tier 1

### CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS & CRITICAL CONNECTIONS

- CAG confirmed that Critical Connections should all be Tier 1
- CAG agreed that the Early Implementation projects are good ones, but they may not leave a significant amount of future work on some corridors (e.g. Smith, Peninsular). More project development is needed to know what would still be included in those projects in order to decide whether they should be Tier 1.
- Willis/Chautauqua/Peninsular: CAG agreed that pedestrian and transit access improvements are the most critical and should be pursued in the near-term with bike lanes as a longer-term goal. This would focus the new bike lanes on critical gaps and improving the existing network. Bike network expansion (large-scale) in the near-term will be done through Neighborhood Greenways.

## **OTHER COMMENTS**

- There was interest in adding new trees and wider furnishing zones to increase tree canopy.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Two more CAG meetings will be held in early 2023. Future CAG meeting topics will include design concepts, implementation strategy, and policy and program recommendations to be included in North Portland in Motion. There will be an opportunity for the public to review the draft plan in the spring of 2023. The PBOT team is aiming for summer 2023 plan adoption.